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Adjourned Meeting

Albermarle Presbytery met in adjourned session in the church of Greenville at 10 o'clock A. M. January 8th, 1929.

The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Rev. J. T. Wildman, and was opened with prayer by Rev. F. M. Dick, of Roanoke Presbytery, Va. The following reported present: Rev. A. J. Crane, H. M. Wilson, J. T. Wildman, W. M. Doggett, Jr., A. S. Veneable, W. S. Harden, T. L. Harnsberger, E. C. Lynch, W. A. Gamble, Peter McIntyre, J. L. Yandell, C. Mathews Brown.

Churches represented: M. V. Orr, Goldsboro, H. E. Shaw, Kinston, B. W. Moseley, Greenville.

Rev. J. L. Yandell was elected Temporary Clerk, after it was seen that a quorum was present, and Presbytery could proceed to business.

Rev. F. Marion Dick, of the Presbytery of Roanoke, Va., was invited to sit as a visiting brother. A certificate of dismissal from the Presbytery of Roanoke for the Rev. F. M. Dick was presented, found in order and Presbytery enrolled Mr. Dick as a member after the usual examination. Mr. Dick was granted evangelistic powers, and is to serve in Hertford county. Rev. J. N. H. Summerell, D. D., the beloved Stated Clerk of Presbytery, being seriously ill, requested the Presbytery to accept his resignation as Stated Clerk, which was done reluctantly, and Rev. W. S. Harden was elected acting clerk until the Spring meeting. Upon motion Presbytery's Committee of Ministerial Relief was instructed to ask the Assembly's Committee for the proper aid for Dr. Summerell, when needed. The acting clerk was instructed to write a letter of sympathy to Dr. Summerell, and the Presbytery offered an earnest prayer for his recovery at this time. This Committee of Christian Education and Relief was directed to ask the Central committee to cancel the loans made to Rev. W. A. Gamble, while he was pursuing his studies in the Seminary. This Committee also asks for a loan of \$125 to candidate P. L. Perry, now at Louisville Seminary.

Rev. Peter McIntyre made his report of attendance upon the General Assembly, which was received and his diligence commended. Rev. A. J. Crane made report of the attendance of Mr. P. W. Melick upon the sessions of the Assembly which was received, and approved.

Motion made and passed that Presbytery take recess at 12:45 noon for lunch.

The ladies of the church were given a rising vote of appreciation for the lunch served at the above time.

Presbytery reconvened at 2:00 P. M.

The report of the Chairman of Stewardship was read, and its recommendations adopted as amended.

"A meeting, composed of the Chairman of the Synod's Committee, and the Secretaries of the Presbyteries of the Synod, met at Greensboro, December 18th, 1928, to discuss plans for promoting and putting on the E. M. Canvass March 10th, 1929. On account

of an engagement, Albemarle Secretary could not be present.

Your committee of Stewardship would ask the Presbytery to adopt some of the resolutions adopted at this meeting.

1. That the Presbytery set aside one day in February, the 4th Sabbath, for intercessory Prayer for God's blessing upon the E. M. Canvass.

2. That each Pastor be urged to send to Atlanta for Literature on Stewardship, to be given to the people.

3. That the Secretaries of the Local churches and Leaders of Young People enlist the Superintendent of the Sunday School in making educational preparation for the Canvass, and have the Story of N. J. Read to the School.

4. That each Church accept in full the Benevolent Askings sent down by the Presbytery.

5. That the Session secure the hearty cooperation of the Men-of-the-Church, the Auxiliary, Young Peoples Societies, and Sunday School, in making and putting on the E. M. Canvass.

6. That the Churches make an effort to accomplish three things:

(1) A subscription from every member.

(2) The Budget fully subscribed and paid.

(3) Prompt report of Canvass to the Presbyterial and Synodical Secretaries.

7. That this Presbytery set aside the first 20 minutes after recess for a prayer service, for a deeper consecration of our selves, and our possessions, and for God's guidance and blessing on the E. M. Canvass.

8. That all the Churches take the E. M. Canvass by March 10th. and report to secretary by March 18th.

A. SIDNEY VENABLE,
Secretary of Stewardship.

Benevolences of Albemarle Presbytery for 1929-30, asked by the Synod amounts to \$30,000.00, by order of Presbytery this amount be divided 50-50 between the Assembly's Causes and Synod's and Presbytery's Causes.

ASSEMBLY'S CAUSES WILL GET \$15000.00 50%

Foreign Missions (31.8%)	\$ 7950.00
Assembly's Home Missions (26.5%)	4200.00
C. E. & M. R. (14.%)	3040.00
Publication and Sunday S. (6.8%)	510.00
Assembly's Training S. (1.7%)	150.00
Bible Cause (.5%)	150.00
Total (.50%)	15000.00

SYNOD'S AND PRESBYTERIAL CAUSES 50%

Synod's Home Missions, (10%)	\$30000.00
Barium Orphanage, (7.5%)	2250.00
Schools and Colleges, (8.7%)	2610.00
U. T. Seminary, (1.3%)	390.00
Presby's Home Missions, (22.5%)	6750.00
Total	15000.00

AMOUNTS ASKED FROM EACH CHURCH IN PRESBYTERY

Belhaven,	\$ 10.00	LaGrange,	\$ 50.00
Berea,	50.00	Mitchener Memo.,	350.00
Bethlehem,	200.00	Morton,	50.00
Calvary,	50.00	Nahalalah,	100.00
Cann Memo.,	400.00	New Bern,	2000.00
Falkland,	300.00	Parmelee,	50.00
Farmville,	450.00	Pinetops,	500.00
Fountain,	450.00	Roanoke,	50.00
Goldsboro,	4000.00	Rocky Mt. 1st.,	5500.00
Greenville,	1600.00	Rocky Mt. 2nd.,	75.00
Good Hope,	10.00	Snow Hill,	50.00
Henderlite Memo.,	25.00	Washington,	3500.00
Hollywood,	20.00	Hart Chapel,	600.00
Howard Memo.	5500.00	Wilson,	3500.00
Jason,	50.00	Ahoskie,	100.00
Kinston,	450.00	Williamston,	100.00
Total Askings	\$30,130.00		

A. SIDNEY VENABLE,
Presbytery's Sect. Stewardship.

The following motion was passed: That the askings of the Assembly, Synod and Presbytery be sent down to the sessions with the request that the session set its quota by the 15th of February. When the session fails to inform the committee of the amount of quota accepted for the year, the quota shall be as set forth in the askings.

Upon motion Presbytery engaged in a few minutes of definite prayer for the matters of our church, particularly regarding the Every Member Canvass.

After the reading of the minutes, Presbytery adjourned to meet in the Greenville church, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock,, April 16th.

W. S. HARDEN, Acting Stated Clerk.

J. L. YANDELL, Tem. Clerk.

Spring Session

APRIL 16-17TH, 1929.

The Presbytery of Albemarle met in regular Spring session in the church at Greenville, April 16th. at 8 P. M., and heard a sermon by the retiring moderator, Rev. J. T. Wildman, from II Timothy 3:1, after which Presbytery was constituted with prayer by Rev. W. A. Gamble.

The roll call showed the following ministers present: H. B. Searight, A. J. Crane, J. T. Wildman, W. S. Harden, J. A. Satterfield, J. L. Yandell, W. A. Gamble, A. S. Venable, D. D., C. M. Brown, H. M. Wilson, Peter McIntyre, Willard Conger, E. C. Lynch, T. L. Harnesberger, M. W. Doggett, Jr., F. M. Dick.

Churches represented: Greenville, W. C. Dresbach, Pinetops, W. E. Cobb, Wm. and Mary Hart, T. F. Savage, Farmville, J. H. Paylor, Washington, M. F. McKeel, Wilson, W. H. Whitmore, Goldsboro, M. V. Orr, C. S. Hollister, New Bern, Edenton, R. H. Bachman, Kinston, W. C. Kemp.

Rev. A. S. Venable, D. D., was elected moderator, Rev. J. L. Yandell, Temporary Clerk.

The Devotional Committee made its report, which was adopted as follows: Your Devotional Committee makes the following recommendations:

Presbytery to convene at 9 A. M., recess for lunch at 12:30 Noon, reconvene at 2 P. M., adjourn at 5:30 P. M.

Evening session to begin at 8, and adjourn at will.

11 A. M. tomorrow is set for the Presbyterial sermon by Rev. H. M. Wilson followed by the communion service.

8 P. M. tomorrow, a popular meeting for Home Missions, presided over by Rev. H. B. Searight, D. D.

Devotional exercises tomorrow morning led by the moderator.

W. S. HARDEN,

B. W. MOSELEY, Committee.

10 A. M. Wednesday was set as the time to hear Rev. E. E. Gillespie, D. D., Executive Secretary of Synod's Work Committee.

Rev. E. E. Gillespie, D. D., of Orange Presbytery was invited to sit as a visiting brother.

3 P. M. was set as the order of the day for election of Commissioners to the General Assembly.

Presbytery adjourned until 9 A. M. tomorrow.

MORNING SESSION, WEDNESDAY.

Presbytery convened at 9 A. M., and was led in devotional exercises by the moderator.

The minutes of last evening were read and approved.

Rev. I. N. Clegg of Fayetteville Presbytery was invited to sit as a visiting brother.

The following communications were read and disposed of:

A call from the Fountain church for the pastoral services of Rev. H. M. Wilson was read, found in order, placed in the hands of Mr. Wilson, who accepted it, and the following Commission was appointed to install him: Rev. W. S. Harden, A. J. Crane, A. S. Venable, and elder J. H. Paylor, time to be the 4th Sunday in April 8 P. M. Parts for each one to be assigned.

A communication from Rev. J. N. H. Summerell, D. D., was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Ahoskie church was enrolled as of January 10th. with the following members: Mr. J. S. Bishop, Mrs. J. S. Bishop, Knox Hughes, husband, Mrs. Knox Hughes, wife, W. F. Johnson, husband, Mrs. W. F. Johnson, wife, L. M. Johnson, son, Virginia Johnson, daughter, Eldridge Johnson, son, Mrs. Stanley Morgan, Calvin McKeel, Steth McKeel, Claudius McKeel, Mrs. L. H. Porter, Robert Pollitt, F. G. Powell, husband, Mrs. F. G. Powell, wife, Mr. and Mrs. Shotwell, Mrs. Jack White, J. N. Vann, husband, Agnes Vann, wife, Mrs. B. J. Tomko.

The following standing committees were appointed by the moderator: Devotional—W. S. Harden, B. W. Moseley; Attendance—J. A. Satterfield, N. P. Kemp; Sessional Record—J. T. Wildman, R. H. Bachman, T. F. Savage; Auditing—W. C. Dresbach, R. H. Bachman; Nomination—E. C. Lynch, T. L. Harnsberger, H. M. Wilson; Minutes of Synod—W. A. Gamble, W. E. Cobb, B. H. Brown; Resolution of Thanks—M. W. Doggett, T. F. Savage.

Revs. T. L. Harnsberger and C. M. Brown were appointed on the Narrative.

Dr. Gillespie was heard by the Presbytery in the interest of the Committee of 27 of the Synod, and his address was referred to the committee of Stewardship.

The Committee on Woman's Work made its report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S WORK OF ALBEMARLE PRESBYTERY 1928-29.

Number of Auxiliaries in Presbytery, ...	14
Number of Members, ...	1195
Tithers, ...	133
Mission Study Classes:	
Foreign—16. Home—18.	
Membership—299. Membership—252.	
Volunteers for Life Service, ...	75
Survey Subscribers, ...	195
Church Paper Subscribers, ...	208
Total Denominational Benevolences, ...	\$ 10554
Total Local Church Work, ...	64.39
Total Miscellaneous Contributions, ...	2656

Total Contributions to all causes, _____ \$ 19649
 Total Decrease over last year, _____ \$ 1641

Respectfully Submitted,

A. SIDNEY VENABLE.

At 11 A. M. Rev. H. M. Wilson preached the Presbyterian sermon from Matthew 5:14, "Ye are the light of the world."

Following the sermon, the Communion service was held, at the close of which the Presbytery was led in prayer by the Moderator for the absent and infirm brethren, Revs. Summerell and Wadley.

Rev. C. A. Lawrence of East Hanover Presbytery, Synod of Virginia, and Rev. S. J. Venable of Norfolk Presbytery, were invited to sit as visiting brethren.

Presbytery took recess until 2 P. M. during which time the ladies of the church served lunch to the Presbytery in the Social Hall of the church.

The Committee of Assembly's Home Missions made a report, which was received and the following recommendations adopted:

(1) That Sunday Schools be urged to study Home Missions as a part of the church's great missionary responsibility, and that Sunday, June 30, be the annual Home Mission Day with a special offering for Assembly's Home Missions.

(2) That November be assigned as the time for Home Mission study and preaching in all the churches, and November 17-24 as the Annual Week of Prayer and Self-denial for Home Missions.

(3) That pastors be urged to preach on some phase of Assembly's Home Missions during November, and that Home Mission topics be used for prayer meeting discussions during Home Mission Month.

(4) Resolved that the Presbytery of Albemarle express its appreciation of the aid given our work in this Presbytery and urge all of our churches to support the work of General Assembly's Home Missions, at least up to the full amount apportioned them for this work.

Respectfully submitted:

J. L. YANDELL, Chairman.

Elder T. G. Hyman made a verbal report of his attendance upon the Board meeting of Davidson College, as trustee, which was received as information.

A special committee consisting of the following was appointed to draw up an overture to the General Assembly relative to the salaries of Home Missionaries being published: Rev. A. S. Venable, E. C. Lynch, elder C. S. Hollister.

Dr. Searight made a report as trustee of Peace Institute, which was received as information. In connection with this report, Mr. W. C. Pressley, president of Peace addressed the Presbytery relative to the need of sending young women to Christian Colleges. By rising vote Presbytery expressed its thanks to him for the address.

The Committee of Foreign Missions made its report, which was approved, and its recommendations adopted:

There were total receipts of \$1,111,245.62. The cost of the work this year was \$1,209,205.39.

The deficit this year is \$97,959.77.

The total deficit now stands at \$174,659.77.

We thank God for the encouraging reports from all the lands where we now labor.

The following recommendations were adopted as suggested by the Executive Committee for the coming year:

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Presbytery at this meeting engage in special prayer for such an outpouring of the Spirit on our churches as will enable the Executive Committee to send to all our Missions the desperately needed reenforcements for which they are pleading, and will bring our whole Church into a deeper sympathy with Him on whose great heart lay ever closest and heaviest the burden of the unreached.

2. That churches, societies, and individuals assume, wherever practicable, definite responsibility for definite parts of the Foreign Mission work.

3. That ministers give special attention this year to the missionary education program of their churches, noting the aid offered them by the Foreign Mission Educational Department in working out better means of keeping their churches informed with regard to Foreign Missions.

4. That all our church leaders utilize to the utmost the Foreign Mission programs, literature, stereopticon slides, and visits from Foreign Missionaries, offered by the Educational Department, in order that missions may be given its scriptural place in all departments of our church life.

5. That during January, 1930, every church in the General Assembly organize a Church School of Missions, using the approved Foreign Mission study books for each age group.

6. That Foreign Mission Chairmen of Synods and Presbyteries arrange with the Foreign Mission office for missionary itineraries among all the churches within their bounds as often as opportunity affords.

7. That Sunday Schools focus their attention this year upon the Foreign Mission Educational Work, designating their Foreign Mission contributions to the \$100,000 being raised in the Sunday Schools for this work, such offerings to be credited to the local church Foreign Mission budget.

8. That Young People' Societies focus their attention this year upon the rehabilitation of our medical work in China, desig-

nating their Foreign Mission offerings to the \$10,000 being raised in the Societies for this work, such offerings to be credited to the local church Foreign Mission budget.

T. L. HARNESBERBER, Chairman.

The following were elected Commissioners to the General Assembly: Principals, Rev. Willard Conger, elder John Hill Paylor, Alternates, Rev. T. L. Harnsberger, elder T. G. Hyman.

The Report of the Treasurer was read and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

From April 1st, 1928 To March 31st, 1929

	Home Missions	Pres. Fund	Total
Balance from last year	\$ 553.32	\$ 440.85	\$ 994.17
Received from churches	\$5,411.44	\$ 578.25	\$5,989.69
From General Assembly	\$ 800.00		\$ 800.00
Total	\$6,764.76	\$1,019.10	\$7,783.86
Disbursements	\$5,702.99	\$ 700.81	\$6,403.80
Balances	\$1,061.77	\$ 318.29	\$1,380.06
Less A. H. M. Acct.	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00
Balances	\$ 861.77	\$ 318.29	\$1,180.06

Received from Assembly's Home Mission Committee	\$6,300.00
Disbursed	\$5,218.40
Balance on hand	\$1,081.60

A. J. CRANE, Treasurer

The Committee on Religious Education and Young People's Work, made its report, which was adopted as amended.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

First is report as to Sunday Schools within the Presbytery.

1. The Committee has received twenty three reports showing 36 schools. These reports show:

- (a) Officers and teachers, 253.
- (b) Enrollment in all departments, 3530.
- (c) Pupils added to the Church on confession of faith, 53
- (d) Total Expenses of Schools, \$4026.
- (e) Total gifts to benevolences, \$1785.

In making our annual report to the Presbytery respecting our Sabbath School work, there are certain matters we wish to stress and have the pastors and Sessions and Superintendents emphasize constantly with their schools.

1. That pastors, Sessions and superintendents keep close tab on their schools that the evangelistic opportunity may not be overlooked but fully realized and utilized by all the teachers, that the multiplying of machinery and programs be not allowed to eclipse the real purpose of the school, but only so much of it adopted as may be used as means to the end of winning the pupils to Christ and training them for His service.

2. That where practicable the Session of the church arrange for a Standard (Teacher) Training School to be held for the benefit of all officers and teachers and substitutes: Where not practicable that the teachers and officers be advised to avail themselves of the opportunity now provided of taking the course from the Sunday School Department of the Presbyterian Committee of Publication, Richmond.

3. That the Presbytery renew its approval of the Vacation Bible School and recommend that, where advisable from the standpoint of facilities, the need of such a school, and the financial ability, the respective churches of Presbytery conduct a standard Vacation Bible School.

4. That the churches pray that an adequate number of the choicest members of our churches will consecrate themselves to the task of teaching in our Sunday Schools that the lamentable lack may be supplied and our schools become more efficient agencies for winning souls from sin and training our young people for Christian service.

5. That Presbytery overture the General Assembly Meeting at Montreat, N. C., May 16th, 1929 to place in the questionnaire on the Sunday School Report Blank—a question calling for the number of persons in the school who are members of the church.

6. That the Presbytery overture the General Assembly meeting at Montreat, May 1st, to approve the principle of the Presbyterian Committee of Publication donating periodicals, books, bibles, tracts etc. and define what shall be the policy and extent of this practice. Second, to appoint a committee to prepare new and suit-

able, tactful tracts-evangelistic, doctrinal, historical, etc. to be supplied, without cost, to pastors and others who desire them for distributions, in extension work.

E. C. LYNCH, Chairman.

The Committee on Minutes of the General Assembly, made a report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 1928.

Your committee begs to submit the following on the matter sent down to the Presbyteries by the General Assembly.

1. That the recommendation to approve the substitute for paragraph 94, Chapter 18, of the Book of Church Order be answered in the negative.

2. That the recommendation to approve an amendment to the first sentence of Paragraph 277, Chapter 16 Rules of Discipline, Book of Church Order be answered in the affirmative.

3. That the recommendation to approve of the substitute for Paragraph 281, Chapter 16, Rules of Discipline, Book of Church Order be answered in the negative.

Respectfully submitted:

P. McINTYRE, Chairman Committee

A verbal report from the Committee on Schools and Colleges was made and received as information.

In connection with the report on young people's work, elder H. H. McLean of the Washington church, was granted the privileges of the floor, and was heard with regard to a summer camp for Young People. Rev. S. J. Venable also spoke on the same subject. No action was taken.

The report of the Committee on Stewardship was read and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF STEWARDSHIP

The Secretary of Stewardship, according to the order of Presbytery, sent to each Session of the Presbytery the "ASKING" of the Presbytery, requesting the Churches to notify the Secretary of Stewardship if they were willing to accept the "ASKINGS", and if not to state the amount, and if no reply was received by April 15th. that the Presbytery would expect these churches to raise the asking.

Thirteen Churches sent in their reply, only three, Washington, Goldsboro, and Wilson, reduced the Asking. The amount accepted by the churches is \$26,734.00.

Dr. L. L. Little, under the direction of the Secretary, visited in the interest of Foreign Missions the following churches: Farmville, Wilson, Greenville, Washington, Tarboro, Wm. and Mary

Hart Chapel, Falkland, Fountain, and Pinetops.

Cannot give new Report on Every Member Canvass.

Respectfully submitted:

A. S. VENABLE.

The report of the special committee on the Presbyterial Treasurership was read and adopted.

The Committee appointed by the Stewardship Committee to make recommendations concerning a Presbyterial Treasurer of Benevolences submits the following recommendations:

1. That we adopt for a period of three years, as a fair trial, the plan of Presbyterial Treasurer of Benevolences.

2. That the following constitute the details of the plan as it shall be used in this Presbytery:

a. The election of a Presbyterial Treasurer of Benevolences, whose business it shall be to receive and distribute the Benevolences of the churches according to the percentages adopted by the Presbytery, except that specially designated funds shall go to objects for which designated, and where churches do not follow the Presbytery's percentages strictly, the distribution shall be according to their percentable scheme.

b. That Presbyterial Treasurer shall keep an accurate set of books showing receipts and disbursements of all funds, both regular and designated; he shall send quarterly statement as to money received and money short on pledges; and also at the close of the year an itemized statement of disbursement of all the funds of each given church.

c. The books of the Presbyterial Treasurer shall be audited in advance of the meeting of the Spring Presbytery by a Committee of three auditors approved by the Stewardship Committee. He shall present his books with the report of said Auditing Committee attached, to the Spring Presbytery; and during the Presbytery his books shall be available as a source of valuable information for the Stated Clerk, the Stewardship Committee, and any other Committee that might desire to look into the finances of the particular cause it represents.

d. The Presbyterial Treasurer shall give bond by a Surety Company for \$5,000.

e. The Presbyterial Treasurer shall receive from the Presbytery an expense fund not to exceed \$100 per year. This expense item shall be paid out of the Presbyterial Tax Funds of the Presbytery.

f. Should a vacancy occur in the interval between meetings of Presbytery, the Stewardship Committee shall take over the office and request a call meeting of the Presbytery immediately for the selection of a successor.

g. The churches are urged to remit their benevolences check to the Presbyterial Treasurer of Benevolences not later than the 3rd of the month, and he in turn shall remit to the several causes not later than the 20th of each month.

h. The concurrence in this plan on the part of the indi-

vidual churches shall be entirely optional, rather than mandatory, but all the churches are urged to make use of the Presbyterial Treasurer in the distributing of their benevolences.

i. The system of notices, remittance blanks, report forms, receipt forms, and bookkeeping prepared by Rev. C. D. Gilkeson is heartily endorsed and recommended by the Stewardship Committee.

j. This plan shall become operative at once, and all the churches in entering into the plan shall remit to the Presbyterial Treasurer not later than May 3rd, as per instructions given above.

3. That the Stewardship Committee be instructed to nominate every third year a man for the Presbyterial Treasurer of Benevolences, and then further nominations be called for from the floor.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee,

H. M. WILSON, Chairman.

The resignation of Rev. J. N. H. Summerell, D. D., as pastor of New Bern church was accepted after the action of the church, concurring in asking the Presbytery to dissolve the relationship was attested by the moderator of the congregational meeting. The pastoral relationship was dissolved.

The Stated Clerk was instructed to write a letter of appreciation from the Presbytery for the fellowship and service of Dr. Summerell, during the many years he has been in its bounds.

The Committee on Men's Work made a report, which was received as information.

The invitation of the Goldsboro church for Presbytery to hold its Fall session there, was accepted, time to be fixed by the church and Stated Clerk.

Presbytery adjourned until 8 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

Presbytery met at 8 P. M. with Rev. H. B. Searight, chairman of Presbyterial Home Missions in charge of a popular meeting, and after devotional exercises by the chairman, the report of Home Missions was read, and pending its adoption, the following were heard in brief addresses: Rev. F. Marion Dick, Rev. T. L. Harnsberger, M. W. Doggett, Jr., and Rev. A. J. Crane. The report was adopted.

Your Committee on Home Missions submit the following report for the year ending March 31st, 1929.

The past year has been one of the most successful and fruitful years in our experience of more than twelve years. Most of our fields have been supplied during the year. Where there has not been a regular worker on the ground, Rev. J. L. Yandell and the Superintendent have supplied the fields. This is true at LaGrange, Snow Hill, Jason, Williamston and Nahalah.

Now however we are glad to report that practically all of our fields are in the way of being supplied with regular workers in the

very near future. We have secured a very fine young man, Mr. Z. T. Piephoff, of the senior class of Union Seminary for Williamston and Martin county. He begins his work May 15th. Also a fine man from the Seminary, Mr. M. G. Lyerly, for the Wilson County field. Kinston, with which we will associate Snow Hill and Jason, has called Mr. Mauze of the Seminary and has good hopes that he will accept. Thus all our work will be supplied with very fine men.

Since securing the Tent and equipment, which was given by Mr. Henry Belk of Charlotte, C. A. Johnson, of Tarboro, and Mr. A. P. Thorpe, of Rocky Mount, we waged an intensive Campaign all last Spring and Summer and Fall. As has already been reported our first meeting was at Williamston, the county seat of Martin County, where notwithstanding very unfavorable weather, we organized a church with twenty-five members, with a fine outlook. Here we have purchased the finest lot in the town, not far from the court house, large enough for a church and manse. Mr. Belk has given the brick to build a church here and we hope to get to work on that in the near future. We held several other meetings that we felt were not so successful, but feel sure that good seed were sown every where, that will germinate and bring forth a harvest in the future. However we were successful at Jason, where we added twenty two members. Then later in the Fall we crossed the Roanoke river for the first time and held a meeting at Ahoskie, where God wonderfully led us and blessed our efforts, and we organized a church of twenty seven members with the brightest outlook we have ever seen. Here we have secured the services of Rev. F. Marion Dick, who has taken a remarkable hold on the town and is working with great energy and faith. We seemed divinely directed in getting him.

During the Winter and Spring, Mr. Yandell has opened two Mission points in Martin County where he is preaching regularly, and there seems to be a bright promise for our work in both places. Mr. Piephoff will have charge of these together with Williamston, when he comes to the work.

Our plans are all made for the tents meetings to begin on the 28th of April at Ahoskie, and to continue as long as the weather will permit in the Fall. We hope to be able to organize at Aulander and Windsor, and from there to Williamston and the two mission points in Martin County, and thence to a very promising point on the outskirts of Wilson.

We have purchased a manse at Ahoskie, and Mr. Dick and his charming family are very happily located in it. We are expecting things from our meeting there, and soon after expect to take steps to erect a church building there.

Dr. Venable reports the construction of a tabernacle at a mission point in his field, Carraways, where they have been conducting a very successful Sunday School for some years, at the cost of about \$800, \$200 of which was given by the Presbytery's Committee. They have also purchased a splendid lot for a manse, and hope soon to be able to build a manse there.

Mr. Brown at Elizabeth City and Mr. Doggett have both taken a fine stand in their respective fields and report progress.

We have made some other changes in the work since Christmas. Mr. Wilson is now giving two Sundays a month to Fountain, with the consent of Wm. & Mary Hart, and this seems to be a very happy arrangement.

Mr. Wildman is now serving Falkland and the two mission points in Pitt county, in connection with his other work. This seems to be a fine arrangement: it is giving great satisfaction.

All our other men are doing faithful and effective work. Mr. Smith who has been giving good service in the Wilson Count field, gives up that work the end of this month, and Mr. Lysterly will take his place beginning May 15th.

With the help we have gotten this year from the General Assembly, we have thus been able to enlarge our work, and to reach out into this new territory, as we could not have done otherwise.

We are grateful to God for His signal favor upon our efforts, which has been so manifest to us who have been closely associated with it. He has led us in a wonderful way all along. We have gone forward in faith and prayer, and He has been with us. We earnestly request that all our pastors and people will bear us up constantly before the throne of His Grace in our work this year, for we often come to the place when we feel keenly and ask "Who is sufficient for these things".

I cannot close this report without paying a slight tribute to Mr. Yandell, who has been so faithfully helping in all this work. In fact he is absolutely indispensable to it. And whatever success we have had is largely due to him under God. I have never known a man so absolutely unselfish, and willing to endure such hardness for God. He is always ready to help somebody else at his own expense of body, time and money. Yet withal so humble that he would not allow me to put this in if he knew it. He deserves the thanks of our whole church, and their love and confidence, for his work's sake.

Your Home Mission Committee wishes to express its appreciation of the long and faithful service rendered the Presbytery by our Superintendent of Home Missions, Rev. A. J. Crane, who has entered upon his 13th year of service in this capacity. Under God it is largely due to his diligence and devotion to the work that it has gone forward in such a satisfactory way. He enjoys both the confidence of our Committee, and the affection of the men in the field; and for this happy situation we thank the great Head of the Church.

H. B. SEARIGHT, Chairman.

The apportionments for the various fields for the present year were read by the Superintendent, and were approved by the Presbytery.

The Committee of Christian Education and Relief, made its report, which was adopted as amended.

To the Presbytery of Albemarle, Greenville, N. C., April 16th, 1929:- Your Committee of Christian Education and Ministerial Relief begs to submit the following report for the year 1928-29.

The latest report indicates that the receipts for this cause for the last year show \$24,420 more was contributed than the year be-

fore, and that the committee has reduced the debt of this committee from \$54,330 to \$26,233, for which we thank God and take courage.

Since the full report for Christian Education comes in the Fall, we omit further reference to this part of the work, and make the following report of Ministerial Relief:

1. General. The Committee has aided 178 ministers, 248 widows, and 48 orphans in 34 deceased ministers homes, and to 6 commissioned pay workers, a total of 466 homes. This is an increase of 6 homes as compared with last year. Aid to the amount of \$193,596 was sent these worthy people during the year.

2. Albermarle Presbytery. The total contributions from the Presbytery was \$1,364.78, with total appropriations to the Presbytery was spent as follows: 1 candidate for the ministry, \$125, Beneficiaries, \$2879.85, 5 Loans, \$750.

The plan for permanent relief of aged and infirm ministers called the Minister's Annuity Fund, has been carefully worked out by this committee, has been submitted to the church by newspaper articles, and ought to be familiar to all by this time. The committee urges that some action be taken by this Presbytery on this important movement.

Your committee would recommend:

1. That the present beneficiaries of Ministerial Relief in the Presbytery be aided in the amounts asked for last year, if possible.

2. That the Presbytery ask the Committee of Christian Education to appropriate a substantial amounts to assist in work among the students at East Carolina Teachers College.

3. That the Presbytery elect three laymen and one minister to study with care and prayer the question of a just living for every minister and missionary.

Respectfully submitted:

W. S. HARDEN, Chairman,

H. B. SEARIGHT,

R. A. FOUNTAIN, Elder.

The matter of the Annuity Fund was deferred until the Fall meeting for discussion.

The report of the Auditing Committee was adopted.

REPORT AUDITING COMMITTEE

Your committee on auditing found the books audited by the regular auditing committee, with exceptions noted, and found the same correct.

W. C. DRESBACK,

R. H. BACHMAN,

Committee.

The Committee on Nominations made its report, which was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Your Committee would recommend the following changes in the committees:

Presbyterial Home Missions, Rev. Willard Conger in place of Dr. Summerell, T. G. Hyman in place of E. L. Stewart.

Foreign Missions, Rev. F. M. Dick in place of Rev. T. L. Harnsberger.

Sabbath Observance and Family Religion, M. W. Doggett Jr., in place of W. T. Wadley, Elder R. B. Peters Sr., in place of R. C. Jones.

Men's Work, Rev. F. M. Dick in place of T. L. Harnsberger.

Vacancy and Supply, Rev. C. M. Brown in place of Dr. Summerell.

Auditing, A. N. Daniel in place of J. R. Pender.

Church History, W. S. Harden in place of T. L. Harnsberger.

Trustee of Davidson College, B. W. Moseley in place of Dr. Summerell.

The Special Committee appointed to prepare an overture to the General Assembly relative to the salaries of Home Missionaries, made its report, which was adopted.

The Presbytery of Albemarle overtures the General Assembly Meeting at Montreat, N. C., May 16th. to order that the total salary of each and every minister of home mission churches be stated in the Statistical reports of the churches of the General Assembly and that an asterisk be placed along side to indicate assistance received.

The following overture was adopted:

OVERTURE.

The Presbytery of Albemarle realizing the gravity of the proposition to consolidate and relocate the Executive and promotional agencies of the church, respectfully overtures the General Assembly meeting in Montreat, May 16th. to hand down the matter to the Presbyteries for their consideration and defer final action until the whole church has had opportunity to become informed of the plan and the will of the Presbyteries has been learned.

The report of the Committee on Minutes of the Synod was received as information.

The Rev. H. M. Wilson was elected Presbyterial Treasurer.

The name of Mitchener Memorial church was changed to Edenton church.

The election of a Stated Clerk was postponed until the adjourned meeting, the date and place of the adjourned meeting was left with the acting clerk and moderator.

The following committee was named to propose a Stated Clerk to the adjourned meeting: W. S. Harden, R. H. Bachman.

The following resolution of thanks was adopted:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

The Presbytery of Albemarle, in session at the First Presbyterian Church, at Greenville, N. C., wishes to express the grateful appreciation on behalf of the members of Presbytery to the ladies of the congregation for the hospitality given them. The welcome afforded the visiting brethren is always frank and hearty, and is in turn sincerely appreciated.

MARSHALL W. DOGETT, Jr.,
T. F. SAVAGE,

The Committee on Sessional records made the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SESSIONAL RECORDS

Your committee on Sessional records has examined the books presented and approves without exception Howard Memorial, Greenville, Wilson, Rocky Mount Second, Farmville, Mitchener Memorial, Wm. and Mary Hart Chapel.

Approved with slight exceptions noted in books: Cann Memorial, Bethlehem, Fountain, Pinetops, Washington book destroyed in fire.

Only these eleven books were presented for our inspection.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. T. WILDMAN,
R. H. BACHMAN,
T. F. SAVAGE,

Committee.

The Committee on Sabbath Observance and Family Religion made the following report, which was adopted.

Your Committee on Sabbath and Family Religion submits the following report:

1. That from the sources of information available we find it difficult to determine the true status of these important and vital aspects of true religion. We may attribute the present conditions to a number of things. The spirit of the modern age in which we are living. The spirit of commercialism that so dominates the present time, causing so many to "look upon the things that are temporal", has led many to neglect "the things that are eternal". We could mention many other things that are making inroads upon the Sabbath, but we feel the deep and underlying cause for much Sabbath desecration is the lack of religious training in the home. Mr. R. E. Magill in his little book entitled "Christian Homes The Bulwark of Civilization" says "The family is the unit of the Church as it is of society". Out of the earliest days of recorded history comes the inspired statement. "God setteth the solitary in families". One of the major tasks of the Church is to include in its program a course of instruction which has for its end the creation and maintenance of a Christian atmosphere in the homes of its members. The home is the most influential agency in building the character of youth. It is not enough to provide for the material

comforts and the intellectual development of the children. The spiritual nature must be cultivated and the moral atmosphere surrounding the children should be carefully considered. God has given to parents a most sacred opportunity and obligation for the moral and religious leadership of the children who receive their first, deepest, and most lasting impression in the home. Christian parents seek the very best that life affords for their children; they want them to be clean in heart and noble in character. One of the best and surest ways to secure high ideals is to establish a practical family worship service in the home and train the children for Christ.

The family table provides the most suitable time and favorable environment for the moral and religious training of children. Since this is the only time that the entire family is regularly together in most homes, the table hour furnishes the best and most natural opportunity for Religious training. Recognizing the unseen Guest three times a day is a means of spiritual helpfulness and is "Character-making" in its effect upon the children. Your Committee thinks that the failure on the part of parents to dedicate their children to God by Baptism during infancy is another reason for the present condition. We read in Gen. the 17th. Chapter that no sooner had God instituted His covenant with Abraham by the rite of circumcision that Abraham took his son Ishmael and all the male children of his household and administered unto them the token of the Lord's covenant, and in the following chapter is recorded the testimony of God in regard to parental faithfulness. "I know him (Abraham) that he will command his children and his household after him."

Your Committee offers two recommendations:

1. That each minister of the Presbytery be asked to preach on the subject of Sabbath and Family Religion.
2. That an hour be given at the Fall meeting of Presbytery for a full discussion of this vital subject.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. A. SATTERFIELD,
Committee.

The Evangelistic Committee was ordered to make its report to the adjourned meeting.

The report of the Committee on Historical Society was postponed until the Fall meeting.

The Committee on Attendance made its report, which was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON ATTENDANCE.

Your Committee on Attendance submits the following:

Excused for tardiness, Revs. F. M. Dick, Willard Conger, E. C. Lynch, Peter McIntyre, T. L. Harnsberger, M. W. Doggett, Jr.

Excused after the Wednesday morning session, N. P. Kemp.

Excused after Wednesday afternoon session, T. F. Savage, J. H. Paylor, Rev. Peter McIntyre, M. V. Orr, C. S. Holister, Rev. W. A. Gamble, B. W. Brown..

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SATTERFIELD, Chairman.

After the reading of the minutes, Presbytery adjourned to meet in adjourned session, and was dismissed with prayer by the moderator.

A. S. VENABLE, Moderator.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

1. Presbyterial Home Missions S & F—Dr. H. B. Searight, Chairman, A. J. Crane, Willard Conger, W. S. Harden, E. C. Lynch; Elders, B. W. Moseley, H. H. Taylor, W. L. Groom, T. G. Hyman.

2. Assembly's Home Missions S—A. J. Crane, Elder F. L. L. Wiggins.

3. Foreign Missions F & S—F. M. Dick, Peter McIntyre, Elder W. S. Leroy.

4. Christian Education and Ministerial Relief, S & F—W. S. Harden, Chairman, H. B. Searight, elder R. A. Fountain.

5. Religious Education S—Rev. E. C. Lynch, Chairman.

Section 1. Sunday Schools—C. M. Brown, elder R. H. Bachman.

Section 2. Young People's Work, W. A. Gamble, Chairman, C. M. Brown, M. W. Doggett Jr., elder J. H. Paylor, H. H. McLean.

6. Women's Societies S A. S. Venable, Chairman, H. M. Wilson, elder C. A. Marslander.

7. Schools and Colleges F—Peter McIntyre, Chairman, Willard Conger, elder J. B. Sparrow.

8. Orphan's Home F G. B. Hanrahan, Chairman, J. A. Satterfield, elders, C. P. McClure, A. P. Thorpe.

9. Bible Cause F—J. T. Wildman, Chairman, elders, E. H. Austin, B. B. Plyler.

10. Sabbath Observance and Family Religion F—J. A. Satterfield, Chairman, M. W. Doggett Jr., R. B. Peters Sr.

11. Prison Work and Evangelism F—A. S. Venable, Chairman, elder David Joyner.

12. Systematic Beneficence and Men's Work, F & S.

Section 1. Systematic Beneficence—Willard Conger, Chairman, W. S. Harden, A. J. Crane, H. B. Searight, Peter McIntyre, G. B. Hanrahan, H. M. Wilson, elders, A. P. Thorpe, A. N. Daniel.

Section 2. Men's Work, elder W. E. Renneker, Chairman, elder, N. O. Warren.

13. Vacancy and Supply F—H. B. Searight, Chairman, A. J. Crane, C. M. Brown.

14. Auditing—A. N. Daniel, R. B. Peters, Jr.

15. Presbyterial Treasurer, Rev. H. M. Wilson, Leggetts.

EXAMINING COMMITTEES.

1. Experimental Religion and Motives for seeking the Gospel Ministry, The Moderator.

2. Natural and Exact Sciences—M. W. Doggett Jr., Chairman, J. T. Wildman, H. H. McLean.

3. Languages—English, Latin, Greek, Hebrew, Latin Thesis, Critical Exegesis, W. A. Gamble, Chairman, W. S. Harden.

4. Church History—W. S. Harden, Chairman, A. S. Venable.

5. Theology, Natural and Revealed—H. B. Searight, Chairman, A. J. Crane, E. C. Lynch.

6. Philosophy, Logic and Rhetoric—W. A. Gamble, Chairman, C. M. Brown.

7. Church Government and Sacraments—Willard Conger, Chairman, J. A. Satterfield.

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